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July 18, 2017

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn Boyd  
Chief Clerk and Administrator  
**Public Service Commission of South Carolina**  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Application of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the Construction and Operation of the Graniteville-South Augusta 230 kV Tie Line and Urquhart-Graniteville #2 230 kV Tie Line and Associated Facilities  
Docket No. 2017-221-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By letter dated July 7, 2017, the Clerk's Office of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina transmitted the Notice of Filing and Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines ("Notice") in the above-referenced docket to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G") and instructed SCE&G to publish the Notice in newspapers of general circulation in the affected areas by July 17, 2017, and provide proof of publication on or before August 7, 2017. On July 10, 2017, the Clerk's Office issued a Revised Notice of Filing and Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines ("Revised Notice"). In compliance with the Clerk's Office's instructions contained within the July 7 letter, please find enclosed for filing the affidavit and tearsheet from the newspaper of general circulation in the affected areas as proof of publication of the required Revised Notice.

By copy of this letter, we are serving the parties of record with a copy of the enclosed document and enclose a certificate of service to that effect.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew W. Gissendanner

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Enclosures

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cc: Dawn Hipp  
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(all via electronic mail and U.S. First Class Mail)

S.C. NEWSPAPER NETWORK (LEGALS) LACEY BREIT  
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COLUMBIA SC 29210

## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

### Aiken Standard

### The North Augusta Star

State of South Carolina  
County of Aiken

Personally appeared before me the undersigned advertising clerk of the Aiken Standard, a seven day per week newspaper published in Aiken, South Carolina, and made oath in due form of law that the advertisement of

(copy attached)

appeared in the issues of said newspaper on the following day(s):

07/12/17 Wed AS  
07/12/17 Wed ASW

at a cost of \$570.71  
Account# 290301  
Order# 1597386  
P.O. Number: 17073BS1 - 57515

SWORN and subscribed to before

me today, 07/11/2017

advertising clerk

*Jennifer L. Mills*

JENNIFER L. MILLS  
Notary Public, South Carolina  
My Commission Expires  
April 02, 2024

#### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

#### CLERK'S OFFICE

#### NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES (Revised)

DOCKET NO. 2017-221-E

Application of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the Construction and Operation of the Graniteville-South Augusta 230kV Tie Line and Urquhart-Graniteville #2 230 kV Tie Line and Associated Facilities

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G or the Company) filed an Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity (Certificate) to construct and operate two 230 kilovolt (kV) Transmission Lines (Lines) in Aiken County, South Carolina with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission). The names of the transmission lines involved in this Project are as follows: Graniteville-South Augusta 230 kV Tie Line and Urquhart-Graniteville #2 230 kV Tie Line. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §54-33-10 et seq. (2015) and to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-304.

The Application states that SCE&G Transmission Planning studies indicate that the occurrence of certain contingencies will result in heavy electrical loading on the existing Vogtle-Savannah River Site 230 kV Tie Line, a critical Southern Company (Southern)-SCE&G interconnecting 230 kV Line, as early as 2019. To prevent future excessive loading conditions on this line and to distribute the flow of power more reliably and evenly into the SCE&G system, additional electrical transmission paths are necessary between Southern and SCE&G. Southern and SCE&G have agreed to establish two new Southern/SCE&G interconnecting tie lines - the Graniteville-South Augusta 230 kV Tie Line and the Graniteville-South Augusta 115 kV Tie Line - that will cross the Savannah River and enter South Carolina onto SCE&G's Urquhart Generating Station site. The benefits incurred as a result of completing the tie lines include decreasing the power flow on the existing Vogtle-Savannah River Site 230 kV Tie Line; more reliably and evenly distributing the flow of power into the SCE&G system; and increasing the transfer capacity for all utilities interconnected to SCE&G's electrical transmission system.

The Application states the existing Urquhart-Graniteville #2 230 kV Line is one of two transmission lines that service the Urquhart Generating Station's two 230 kV generators totaling 330 MW. Relocating the Urquhart-Graniteville #2 230 kV Line onto double-circuit 230 kV structures alongside the Graniteville-South Augusta 230 kV Tie Line will maintain the current operating flexibility and level of reliability required for the Urquhart generators.

A copy of the company's application can be found on the Commission's website at [www.psc-sc.gov](http://www.psc-sc.gov) under Docket No. 2017-221-E. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the corporate office of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company at MC C222-220 Operation Way, Cayce, South Carolina, 29033.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Wednesday, September 27, 2017, at 10:30 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence from all interested parties. The hearing may continue through September 28, 2017, if necessary.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **August 7, 2017**. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. **Please refer to Docket No. 2017-221-E and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.** Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **August 7, 2017**. **Please refer to Docket No. 2017-221-E.**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD**, pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-845:

- SCE&G must** prefile with the Commission one copy of the direct testimony and exhibits of the witnesses it intends to present and serve the testimony and exhibits of the witnesses on all Parties of Record on or before **August 22, 2017** (must be post-marked on or before this date).
- All other Parties of Record must** prefile with the Commission one copy of the direct testimony and exhibits of the witnesses they intend to present and serve the testimony and exhibits of the witnesses on all Parties of Record on or before **September 5, 2017** (must be post-marked on or before this date).
- The Company filing Rebuttal Testimony must** prefile with the Commission one copy of the testimony and exhibits of the witnesses it intends to present and serve the testimony and exhibits of the witnesses on all Parties of Record on or before **September 12, 2017**. (Rebuttal testimony and exhibits must be in the offices of the Commission and in the hands of the parties on this date.)
- All other Parties of Record filing Surrebuttal Testimony must** prefile with the Commission one copy of the testimony and exhibits of the witnesses they intend to present and serve the testimony and exhibits of the witnesses on all Parties of Record on or before **September 19, 2017**. (Surrebuttal testimony and exhibits must be in the offices of the Commission and in the hands of the parties on this date.)

For the most recent information regarding this docket, please refer to [www.psc-sc.gov](http://www.psc-sc.gov) and **Docket No. 2017-221-E**.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at [www.psc-sc.gov](http://www.psc-sc.gov).

July 12, 2017



**BEFORE**  
**THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF**  
**SOUTH CAROLINA**

**DOCKET NO. 2017-221-E**

IN RE:

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Company for a Certificate of Environmental )  
Compatibility and Public Convenience and )  
Necessity for the Construction and Operation )  
of the Graniteville-South Augusta 230 kV Tie )  
Line and Urquhart-Graniteville #2 230 kV Tie )  
Line and Associated Facilities )

**CERTIFICATE  
OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that I have caused to be served this day one copy of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's **Publisher's Affidavit and Tearsheet** to the persons named below to the addresses set forth via electronic mail and U.S. First Class Mail:


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Cayce, South Carolina

This 18th day of July 2017